

## Commercial Advertiser

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### WIRELESS PROGRESS.

The picking up of the Solace by the wireless, 140 miles off shore, lends special interest to experiments on the Atlantic which go to show that there ought to be no trouble, with improved apparatus, about keeping in touch with vessels from 1000 to 2000 miles distant from this port. The following is taken from a recent account of the crossing of the Cunarder Etruria, a vessel which did not miss wireless connections for a day:

"On Wednesday at midnight the wireless receiver gathered in a message from Cape Cod, 1,030 miles away. A few hours before there came aboard, when the ship was 2,050 miles from Liverpool, a message from the Poldhu station, on the English coast, telling that an American submarine boat had remained submerged twelve hours with nine men aboard. There was no time that the liner was not in touch with either America or England, and most of the way she received messages from both sides of the water.

"Mr. Marconi was aboard, but he did not attend personally to receiving messages, which were taken by his electricians, Woodward and Bullock. "Lieuts. Yeates-Brown and Loring of the British Navy accompanied Mr. Marconi to observe the working of the receiving apparatus. They said: 'The tests have been supremely successful.' 'The operators never at any time had any difficulty translating the messages. Mr. Marconi said he was entirely satisfied with the results.

"This was not an experiment," he said, "but a demonstration. I selected from four receiving apparatuses the best adapted for the work. I call it the improved Marconi receiver. You might call it also a magnetic detector. It takes the place of the original coherer. There was no effort made to do any long distance sending. To install a long distance sender aboard ship at present would cost the company about \$25,000 for each ship. The Lucania will be the next Cunard boat to be equipped with long distance receiving apparatus. Later the line will have also the long distance senders."

### THE LURING ON POLICY.

It is quite true, as a local contemporary says, that Kuropatkin's campaign is what he predicted, a Fabian one, but it does not necessarily follow that he will be able to end it by a coup de main. To do that, it would be necessary to lure the Japanese much further from their sea base than they now are or are likely to be. At present the Japanese advance is only 150 miles from Pitz-ze-Wo, and if it goes as far as Harbin, which is believed to be the final objective, it will be only 350 miles from its chief base and much closer to lesser ones. General Kuroki acted from the start under the orders of a General Staff which knew what Kuropatkin wanted to do and was able to provide against it. Dispositions have been so made that, if compelled to retreat, the Japanese will become stronger the nearer they get to the seaboard. Oyama is not staking the fortunes of the combat as Napoleon did during the invasion of Russia, on the fortunes of a single army. He commands several armies in supporting distance of each other and not exposed to a flank attack. Strategy such as his would have saved Napoleon and enabled him, when compelled to leave Moscow, to go into winter quarters nearer the frontier. Moreover Oyama, having a railroad connecting all his forces, can concentrate his men with great rapidity.

It must be remembered that the present theater of war is small and that a successful "luring on" policy requires enough area to put the advancing enemy at the end of a chain of communication vastly longer and more susceptible to breakage than that which stretches between Pitz-ze-Wo and Mukden.

One of the best ways to break up the gambling resorts is to publish the true names of the people arrested in them. Too much blame has already been heaped upon the innocent names of George Dewey, J. Caesar, Henry Ward Beecher and John Bull, which the gamblers take for aliases, and it is time for the real culprits to shoulder their own responsibilities. A good beginning was made yesterday.

Sugar is reported by Mr. Pollitz at 4.25 but no advices to that effect reached this paper from the Planters' Association, its daily report, appearing on our first page, embodying no change from the last previous figures except in the case of sugar beets.

Amid all the talk of County Government the Advertiser has not yet been able to learn the names of ten responsible taxpayers of Honolulu, not identified with politics, who are in favor of it. The challenge has stood open for several weeks past.

### INCREASED EXPORTS.

Democrats who had hoped to campaign this year on a hard times issue, will find little to cheer them in the statistics of our foreign export commerce which, in the fiscal year 1904, was the largest in American history. The Department of Commerce and Labor shows, taking up the figures in detail, that the total exports during the year ending June 30, 1904, are \$1,460,829,539, against \$1,420,141,679 in the fiscal year 1903, an increase of \$40,687,860; that the imports for the year are \$990,745,084, against \$1,025,719,237 in 1903, a decrease of \$34,974,153; and that the excess of exports over imports is \$470,084,455, against \$394,422,442 in 1903, an increase of \$75,662,013 in the excess of exports over imports.

Comparing the figures of 1904 with those of earlier years, it may be said that the total exports are larger than in any preceding year except 1901, that the imports are greater than in any preceding year except 1903; and that the total commerce—the imports and exports combined—in 1904 is greater than that of any preceding year. The total commerce of the year amounts to \$2,451,574,623, against \$2,445,860,916 in 1903, and \$2,310,937,156 in 1901, the years in which imports and exports, respectively, made higher records than those of 1904. Thus, while neither imports nor exports for 1904 reach the high record of a single earlier year the total of imports and exports combined in 1904 exceeds the total commerce of any earlier year.

In manufactures the exports of the year will make their highest record. While the figures of manufactures exported for the full fiscal year 1904 have not yet been completed by the Bureau of Statistics, the fact that the eleven months' figures already completed exceed by seventeen million dollars those of the corresponding period of the record year, 1900, makes it apparent that the total exports of manufactures in 1904 will be greater than those of any preceding year.

It is also apparent that the exports of domestic products from the United States in the fiscal year just ended will exceed those of any other country. The United Kingdom is, next to the United States, the world's largest exporter of domestic products, and until within recent years surpassed the United States in its total. During recent years, however, the United States has rapidly gained upon and finally overtaken the United Kingdom in the race for supremacy as an exporter of domestic products.

The first year in which the exports of domestic products from the United States exceeded those from the United Kingdom was 1898, the excess in our favor in that year being about ninety-eight million dollars. In 1899 the pendulum swung the other way, the exports from the United Kingdom exceeding those from the United States by about thirty-five million dollars.

In 1900 those from the United States exceeded those from the United Kingdom by about thirty-five million dollars. In the year ending June 30, 1902, those of the United States exceeded those of the United Kingdom by about eight million dollars. In the fiscal year 1903 the United Kingdom was again at the front, her total of domestic exports exceeding that of the United States by twenty-two million dollars. In the fiscal year 1904 the United States will apparently be again in the lead, since figures of eleven months already in hand show for that period an excess of thirty-eight million dollars in favor of the United States.

### THE SECRETS OF THE MAINE.

There has been, ever since 1898, a marked indisposition on the part of the United States government to remove the wreck of the Maine, in Havana harbor. Now that the Cuban officials want to get rid of the obstruction they are met with difficulties raised by the Judge Advocate General of the U. S. Navy, who holds that what is left of the Maine is the property of the United States and cannot be removed without Act of Congress. Other objections have been made from time to time with the evident purpose of leaving the bones of the battleship where they are until time has wrought upon the metal as to efface all structural evidence of the causes of the explosion.

It has been borne upon a great many people who keep track of naval matters, that the Maine blew herself up. Before and since her loss American ships-of-war had narrow escapes from ignition of their magazines, from spontaneous combustion in the coal bunkers. Extraordinary efforts have been made, on several battleships, to avert a self-inflicted disaster of this kind. Nobody knows for certain, despite the findings of an American Naval Commission, from which Spanish experts were excluded, that the explosion which sank the Maine originated within the vessel. If the wreck had been raised at any time since the fateful February day in 1898, the truth would have been known. But suppose it should show that the Maine had destroyed herself? Before that appalling thought it is no wonder that the breath of the Judge Advocate General of the Navy comes short.

One of the strong indications that

the Spaniards had nothing to do with the sinking of the Maine is that their diplomacy at the time was exhausting itself to preserve the peace and give the United States no new cause of irritation. The sinking of an American warship in one of their harbors with the appearance of hostile intent, must, as they knew, make war inevitable. The thing could not have been done, if a torpedo was used, without official knowledge. Spain was not prepared for war and did not want it. Throughout the turmoil which came after the explosion, the Spaniards bore themselves well. They denied any guilt, bestowed sympathy and offered to assist in the investigation and abide by its results; but they were treated as if their culpability had been proved in advance. The American jingoes wanted to force a war and the excuse suggested by the Maine disaster, was too good a one to be lost.

Under the circumstances it is probably just as well to let the wreck lie and not take the risk of a national humiliation. The results of the Spanish war have been unpleasant enough without digging up any mortifying antecedents.

Democrats have no cause to complain, as some of them do, because Acting Governor Atkinson did not take their advice in the matter of a Democratic member of the Board of Registration. One of the names they sent to him is that of a convicted felon whose right to vote or hold office was taken from him by virtue of his sentence, in the Federal court, for sending obscene literature through the mails. Naturally Governor Atkinson had a better opinion of the Honolulu Democrats than to give them an official of that sort, even if they had inadvertently asked for him. His appointment of a respectable Democrat ought to be entirely satisfactory to a party which does not lack for reputable members.

The rain which has fallen in the last few days is not the least among the good things that are coming to the Territory. Pasture on this island, at least, had begun to grow scant and nutritious and had affected the quality of milk. But the chief good from the rain is the cleansing it has given this city. It is noticeable that sickness increases during the dry time, especially maladies of a graver character, and diminishes when the rains come. The wetting down of Honolulu may make things disagreeable under foot, but it is a potent blessing all the same.

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".75 " " 35c.  
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